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SUBJECT: CONSULAR REVIEW - SECOND ROUND

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1. WE WILL PROVIDE INSTRUCTIONS FOR RESPONSE TO MATTERS
RAISED BY SOVIETS AFTER WE HAVE HAD OPPORTUNITY TO REVIEW
MFA'S WRITTEN SUBMISSION. FOLLOWING IS PARTIAL RESPONSE TO
REF A, RPT REF A. YOU MAY DRAW FROM IT AS APPROPRIATE.
2. EXEMPTION OF CONGEN PERSONNEL FROM CALIFORNIA STATE
TAXES -- BY DECISION DATED APRIL 20, 1977, THE CALIFORNIA
BOARD OF EQUALIZATION DETERMINED TO GRANT EXEMPTION FROM THE
STATE SALES TAX TO CONSULAR OFFICERS AND CONSULAR EMPLOYEES
REPRESENTING COUNTRIES WITH WHICH THE US HAS A TREATY OBLI-
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GATION TO GRANT EXEMPTION FROM SIMILAR TAXES. (THE USSR
QUALIFIES). PROCEDURES FOR IMPLEMENTING THE DECISION, INCLUD-
ING ISSUANCE OF PHOTO ID CARDS ARE NOW BEING WORKED OUT
BETWEEN STATE OF CALIFORNIA AND THE DEPARTMENT.

3. EXTENSION OF DIPLOMATIC PRIVILEGES TO ADMINISTRATIVE-
TECHNICAL PERSONNEL OF SOVIET EMBASSY WASHINGTON --

LEGISLATION TO REPEAL ABSOLUTE IMMUNITY NOW ACCORDED TO
SOVIET ADMINISTRATIVE-TECHNICAL STAFF (BUT NOT FAMILIES)
NOW APPEARS CERTAIN TO PASS CONGRESS. DEPARTMENT IS HOPEFUL
THAT FINAL BILL WILL INCLUDE PROVISION AUTHORIZING PRESI-
DENT TO EXTEND PRIVILEGES AND IMMUNITIES MORE FAVORABLE
THAN THOSE REQUIRED BY VIENNA CONVENTION, BUT WE MUST

WAIT TO SEE WHAT APPROACH MUST BE TAKEN IN LIGHT OF WHAT
CONGRESS ENACTS. VANCE

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